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SIXTY INDICTMENTS BY GRAND JURY.

Some Vice Cases and Election Frauds Reported in the Batch.

The Grand Jury, after being in session since 10:30 o'clock, filed into Recorder Dowd's court this afternoon and reported between fifty and sixty indictments.

ROEDER FAILS FOR \$345,255; ASSETS 0.

The Son-in-Law of Sugar King Searles a Bankrupt Like His Brother.

Albert Hart Roeder, 52 Broadway, filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court this afternoon, showing liabilities of \$345,255 and no assets.

There are unsecured liabilities of \$25,881; notes and bills, \$16,007, and accommodation paper, \$7,965. The chief creditors are D. H. Moffat, Denver, Col., \$80,865 on promissory notes contracted in March, 1900; Harry Marcellus, 317 Broadway, \$2,715 on promissory notes; Meyer, Cord & Co., 52 William street, judgment on promissory notes, \$20,000; F. O. Mathison, \$16,000 on promissory notes; Bohm-Bristol Diamond Company, of Denver, Col., \$10,000 on contract to buy stock, and the Western National Bank, Pine and Nassau streets, \$65,000 on promissory notes.

The petition was filed by Dill, Bomerstein & Baldwin, attorneys, 27 Pine street. Hoeder's statement. To an Evening World reporter Hoeder said: "I have been in trouble of this sort before and all I need is a little time to get it right."

"In 1896 I owed \$300,000 to men in Colorado. I have paid up nearly every cent of that, because they gave me time. My failure then was due to the shutting down of the Indian mint and its consequent effect on silver."

"The mine became valueless, and though we took out 600,000 ounces of silver, I had to apply to my creditors for extension of time."

"Now, all I ask is another chance."



"YOU CAN'T KEEP A GOOD MAN DOWN!"

POLICE RAID WALL STREET BROKERS.

McClusky's Detectives Close Godfrey & Hughes's Big Bucket Shop.

Capt. McClusky this afternoon made good his promise to raid bucket-shops in the Wall street district whenever evidence against them could be secured. Shortly after 3 o'clock several Central Office detectives, assisted by officers in citizens' clothes, swooped down upon an alleged "brokerage" bucket-shop concern at 20 Broad street kept by Ira N. Godfrey and Charles D. Hughes.

An immense crowd gathered in the street in a few minutes, for the news of the raid spread as only news can spread in the Wall street district. Various rumors flew about to the effect that a number of similar concerns were to be raided, and inside of fifteen minutes scores of "brokers" locked their safes and closed their offices for the day.

While the police were guarding the place at 20 Broad street crowds in front of the building heaved and howled as they always do when anything out of the ordinary happens in the street. The police would say nothing of the raid. It was said that it was made upon the complaints of customers, who alleged that they had lost money in the place.

Detective-Sergeant McConville, who had charge of the raid, took the partners in the concern, Ira N. Godfrey and Charles D. Hughes, to Police Headquarters. The detectives also secured a number of books, papers, letters and circulars used in the business.

---ABRAM S. HEWITT. TAMMANY'S VICE COMMITTEE A CONFESSION, SAYS EX-MAYOR.

NEGRO GAMBLER LYNCHED; 200 BULLETS IN HIS BODY

LAKE CITY, Fla., Nov. 27.—Spencer Williams, a negro gambler, was shot in pieces near this city today by a mob. Williams, who recently arrived here from Pensacola last night, shot and dangerously wounded City Marshal Strange and William Strickland, a business man of this place, while the marshal was attempting to arrest the negro.

As soon as the news of the shooting became known, citizens formed a posse and mistook Williams in a woman. Williams was literally shot to pieces. Fully 200 bullet holes were found in his body, which was brought into town and placed in front of the court-house gate, where it was surrounded all the afternoon by a crowd.

ALDERMEN AUTHORIZE BOND ISSUE.

At the meeting of the Board of Aldermen this afternoon a report of the Committee on Finance, authorizing the issuing of bonds to the extent of \$1,728,692.04, for the purchase of property on Rialto and Chambers streets, for the Hall of Records, was adopted.

NEWPORT RESULTS.

FIFTH RACE—Tribune Bell 1, Glenwood 2, Grandos 3. SIXTH RACE—Agitator 1, Lord Fraser 2, Lucy Leads 3.

MRS. LEASE TO SEEK A DIVORCE.

WICHITA, Kan., Nov. 27.—Mary E. Lease, lawyer, politician and orator, will this week file suit for divorce from Charles Lease in the Sedgewick County District Court. The petition, it is said, will cite the statutory charges of incompatibility and failure to provide for the past three years. Mr. and Mrs. Lease have not lived together. This former has lived in New York City, while his wife has conducted a drug store in this city.

PLOT TO KILL ROBERTS FAILED.

Church Attended by the British General Was to Have Been Blown Up.

LONDON, Nov. 27.—According to a special edition of the Evening Standard this evening, a plot to assassinate Lord Roberts, in which twenty foreigners were concerned, has been frustrated. It appears that the conspirators laid a mine, which was designed to blow up Sunday while Lord Roberts was in church at Johannesburg, but the police and Lord Roberts's body-guard frustrated the conspiracy. Ten men, mostly Italians, have been arrested.

HOSPITAL BRIDE IS RECOVERING.

Started for a Theatre, Was Taken Ill and Wedded.

At the home of David A. Edgar, West New Brighton, R. I., it was said this morning that Edgar's daughter, Katherine, who was married to Charles T. Bramhall in Bellevue Hospital Sunday, was recovering rapidly. The family said she would probably be home again in a day or two.

Great Anti-Vice Meeting of Business Men Appoints Working Committee.

"Some of the Police Authorities Are in League with Vice," Said Charles Stewart Smith.

A great gathering of business men resulted from the call for a conference at the Chamber of Commerce this afternoon, to plan a campaign against vice. It resulted in the adoption of a resolution to appoint a working committee of fifteen, the members of which will be chosen later.

Bishop Potter was not there, having in a letter stated that he would take no part in the warfare except an advisory part. Ex-Mayor Abram S. Hewitt made a speech, and one strong sentence was that "the responsibility for the present conditions rests with the Mayor."

DETAILS OF VICE MEETING.

Hewitt, Chosen to Preside, Lays Responsibility on the Mayor. A great throng of millionaires, retired and active business men of this city, gathered at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, in the Mutual Life Building, this afternoon, in response to the call for a mass-meeting to organize a campaign against vice.

Here were the sobriest men of New York, hundreds of them; men whose names are familiar to the whole world of commerce—bankers, merchants, railway presidents—men who are known as philanthropists, who have founded schools, endowed hospitals, built homes for the needy, and given their money and their names to libraries and other beneficent institutions.

Among those present were Rev. Dr. Charles H. Eaton, Rev. Thomas H. Miller, who has been fighting vice on the upper west side, and Rev. Dr. Paddock, of the Pro-Cathedral, whose experience with Capt. Heilly and Inspector Cross brought about the present general movement.

Dr. Felix Adler, Louis Winchell, A. Foster Higgins, St. Clair McKelway, John Craig Brown, Samuel D. Babcock, George F. Baker, August Edmund, Heber R. Elish, Vernon O. Brown, Henry W. Cannon, John Claffin, William Hayward Cutting, William E. Dodge, Hallock M. Chubb, Henry Hertz, Dr. Willis James, Myron K. Jessup, Dr. Ogden Mills, Alexander E. Ross, Gustav H. Schwab, Isaac N. Seligman, James E. Speyer, James Stillman, J. Kenney Tod, Steven V. White, James Talbot, George Harris Putnam, foreman of the famous March Grand Jury, and Dr. Willis James.

Dr. Parkhurst, Archbishop Corrigan, Rabbi Gotthel and Rev. R. S. MacArthur, H. A. Stinson, Mattie D. Babcock, George T. Purvie and N. D. Hills, who were invited, did not appear. They were called together by an invitation sent out last Saturday and

signed by banker Jacob H. Schiff, the philanthropist; Charles Stewart Smith, John D. Crimmins, ex-Governor Lee P. Morton, John S. Kennedy, founder of the Manhattan Bank and philanthropist; ex-Mayor Abram S. Hewitt, John Hansen Rhoades, John E. Parsons, the lawyer; William R. Baldwin, Jr., the dry-goods man, and George Foster Peabody.

Mr. K. Jaup, President of the Chamber of Commerce, called the meeting to order and George Foster Peabody was made Secretary. Charles Stewart Smith was chosen to preside, and in taking the Chair made a little speech in which he dissipated John D. Crimmins's idea that the meeting would not be a political movement.

Mr. Smith said the "great leader who controls the great political organization that shapes the destinies of the city at least as a great light and appointed a committee as a nucleus of the movement of Tammany Hall."

"It is plain to all of us that some of the police authorities of the city are in league with vice and crime. And it is plain that they are being paid money for it. The question is, shall we unite to protect the honor and good name of our fair city? (Applause.)"

"The police may not be willing to let the truth, but I think there are others who can be induced to do so, and through them we must find out who it is and how it is that the police collect these wages of sin."

Chairman Smith introduced ex-Mayor Abram S. Hewitt, who was loudly cheered.

Mr. Hewitt said he was surprised to find that his name headed the list of the call for the meeting. He said he had not been in consultation at any time with any member of the committee.

He had given the use of his name as any good citizen should do. He said there was a misapprehension that this was a Chamber of Commerce meeting, which it was not, but a meeting of citizens to take action on the moral condition of the city.

Mr. Smith mentioned several instances, he said, but he did not mention the letter of the Episcopal Bishop to the Mayor of this city, never before published in its history.

Mr. Hewitt said that the first acknowledgment of the city government that such a condition existed. We all know that four years ago reform was inaugurated to be led by a prominent official. It has remained there since.

This call of Tammany Hall was a confession, he said, that all was not right; that the moral sense of the community was outraged. And when the moral sense of the community is outraged even an organization, however great, however established in power, cannot stand against it.

If the Tammany committee performs its duty it will strike a blow at Tammany Hall and all others responsible for the condition of the city.

There is no reason for the committee to accept this committee if the croaker was in earnest, the committee would never have been appointed.

The condition of affairs is due to the police. They are paid to preserve the public respect for itself. Instead of being the protectors of public virtue, they are the protectors of vice. If public decency is outraged the responsibility rests with the Mayor.

Mr. Hewitt told how when Mayor, he looked into the moral condition of the city himself. He did not call on the Chief of Police or other officials. While he might not be satisfied, conditions that distributed houses were being built.

Mr. Hewitt told how he called Chief of Police Murray a most estimable man, and told him that while the police might not be satisfied, conditions should be made such that vice should

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WEATHER FORECAST. Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Wednesday, for New York City and vicinity—Partly cloudy and colder to-night; Wednesday fair, fresh westerly winds.

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